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29th
September
2017

Ashcroft

Great Ashcroft Bake Off

September launched the Annual Great Ashcroft Bake Off. 182 students in years 7 to 13 and staff participated in this year's highly competitive initial round, held over two days. The aim: bake a cake or biscuits to be judged for flavour and appearance. The judges, which included Mr Mitchell, members of Leadership Group, senior teachers and the Restaurant Manager, rose to the challenge and bravely taste tested nearly 200 entries. Highlights included the Ashcroft School Bus preserved in sponge, a

unicorn cake and Lashae Duncan Johnson's homage to 'Charlie and The Chocolate Factory'. The best were handpicked from the staff entries and each year group to go through to the much-anticipated Technical Challenge. It will be held on Tuesday 10th October and the finalists will be asked to produce a Swiss Roll. Watch this space for winners to be confirmed!

S Paton - CAS Coordinator



Exam Results 2017

A level 41% A*-A
74% A*-B

IB 100% Pass rate
Average points 36

BTEC 100% Distinction*

"An outstanding Sixth Form"
Ofsted 2015



Ashcroft
Technology
Academy

Sixth Form Open Evening

Thursday 5 October 6.20-8.00pm

Shape your future

You are warmly invited to learn more about our outstanding Sixth Form

Principal and Head Student Address at 6.30pm

An extensive programme of A levels, the International Baccalaureate Diploma and BTEC National in Performing Arts



Swimming Sensation

Praise for Elliott Hampton who won 5 medals last weekend at the Wandsworth Club Swimming Championships. He achieved the following:

- Gold 100m freestyle. 1:03:97
- Gold 50m freestyle. 30:13
- Gold 50m butterfly. 34seconds
- Silver 50m backstroke. 35:89
- Silver 50m breaststroke. 41 seconds



Well done, Elliott! We wish him all the best of luck in his next competition, The Areana League.



Every Thursday at 4:30pm in the Drama Studio.

Led by a professional dance teacher from the Royal Academy of Dance!

Bring your dance/ PE kit!

Step into Dance is back for another year at Ashcroft. If you would like to learn how to dance from a professional dance teacher from Royal Academy of Dance, please enquire with a member of the Performing Arts team.



03 KS5 Art trip to the Tate Gallery

05 Sixth Form Open Evening 6:20-8:00pm

AS Geography Brixton Trip



Our Y12 AS students recently went on a school trip to Brixton to study and analyse how the area has changed, Below is a summary of the trip by Y12 student Kim Trainor.

Brixton is an interesting place, both from an insider and outsider perspective. It is the arguably at the forefront of the new swathe of renovation and gentrification in London's sub-urbs- most famously seen in the transformation of Shoreditch. Although Brixton hasn't got to the extremes of cereal bars and beard grooming boutiques, a quick look into Pop Brixton (a construction created entirely from old shipping containers) will surely tell you that they aren't that far off. Brixton, however is a lot more complex than that. On the AS Geography trip to Brixton we tried to look at the area, not only in terms of its changing reputation, but also by how the area has been shaped over time- from the time it was a country retreat for the elites of Victorian society to the diverse culture filled place it is today. While walking past the Brixton Windmill, Electric Avenue and the countless murals and memorials, we found that Brixton is comprised of a very complex community tangled together by historical events which have only made them closer as a group. I believe that no matter how globalised Brixton will become, it will never become placeless- no matter how many coffee shops there are. Inevitably, the thing I learnt the most was that Brixton is filled with really good food and the residents are very friendly and enthusiastic about answering surveys.



IB High Ashurst Trip

This year saw another fantastic residential to High Ashurst Outdoor Centre. Our new year 12IB group enjoyed the low ropes, high ropes and climbing wall activities as well as marshmallows over a campfire and (very!) late night films. The aim of the residential is to launch the core 'Creativity, Activity, Service' aspect of the ID Diploma, a programme of experiential learning in which students complete a challenging and well planned programme of extracurricular activities. Year 12IB used their High Ashurst experience to bond as a group, build their confidence, work as a team and support each other through tough challenges. We now know that Jenny and Lola have no fears and that we should all have listened to Fae's idea sooner before wasting 15 minutes solving a rope puzzle!

Mr Anson



Upcoming Sports Team Fixtures

Tuesday 3rd Oct Year 10 Boys Football AWAY

Wednesday 4th Oct Borough cross Country AWAY

Wednesday 4th October U16's Girls Basketball AWAY

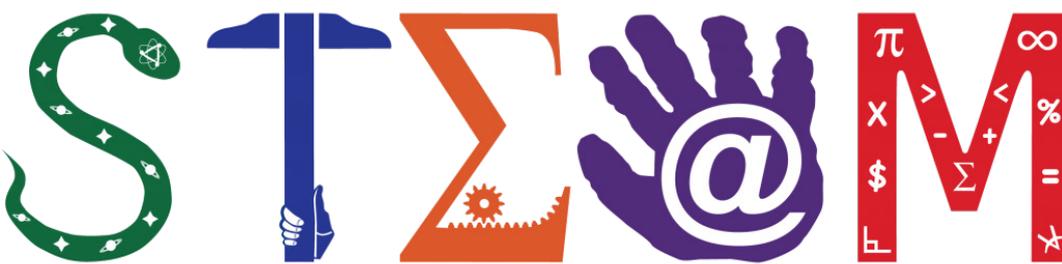
Monday 9th October Year 8+9 Netball HOME

Tuesday 10th October Year 10+11 Volleyball AWAY

Wednesday 11th October U14 Boys Basketball AWAY

Tuesday 17th October Year 7 Netball HOME

Wednesday 18th October U14 Girls Basketball AWAY



Week 2 of STEAM 2017-18 and what an awesome week it has been ATA's STEAM Enrichment Programme has developed to its BEST yet - with 33 Year 7's, 22 Year 8's, 15 Year 9's, 22 Year 10's and 29 Sixth Form Ambassadors.

Year 7 STEAM Club:

In Tessellating Tiles with Miss Haviland, Miss Griffiths and Miss Peterson, the Year 7 STEAMmies had a great session turning their 2D paper designs for their tessellating shapes into clay tiles. They used a tile press to produce the perfect hexagon out of clay. Next week, they will work on etching into the clay and using coloured under glazes to enhance their designs. Well done, all!



Year 8 STEAM Club:

In Mega Maths with Mr Sellars, the Year 8 STEAMmies had a great ride with the Sixth Form STEAM Ambassadors leading the session on rollercoaster height and the use of equations to model motion of the world's tallest rollercoasters! The STEAMmies encountered quadratic equations and considered what happened to the coaster as height became negative – did it really disappear into the ground!?! Special mention to two particular Ambassadors, Syed-Ali for leading and presenting the session and Faiz for excellent non-calculator skills on the IWB. Well done! Already looking forward to next week!

Year 9 STEAM Club:

Year 9 STEAM Club was cancelled this week and will return next Tuesday when STEAMmies will marvel at the wonders of Maths in Language with Mr Revelant.

Year 10 STEAM Academia:

In STEAM Academia with Ms Khan, the Year 10 STEAMmies and their Sixth Form STEAM Ambassadors delved further into the world of research pedagogy when they looked at "Global Warming – Fact or Myth?" Plenty of viable discussion was held to present both sides of this

argument, based on the information gathered by the current research into this area as well as the STEAMmies own knowledge of global warming, from their Science and Geography lessons. Included in the discussion was the influence of politicians in enforcing the debate and the scientific evidence to back up both perspectives, particularly the impact of burning of fossil fuels. They also looked at some (9-1) GCSE style question from the Chemistry C6.2 spec and demonstrated sound confidence by linking the research pedagogy looked at during the session to discuss their answers for the questions. The end vote was unanimous – our STEAMmies all believe that global warming is fact! Well done, Academia and Ambassadors! Next week, we look forward to welcoming our first STEAM guest Victoria Hamilton, who is Software Support and Training Manager at Tait Stage Technologies.

Sixth Form STEAM Ambassadors:

We have an impressive team of Ambassadors, who have been assigned to the various STEAM Club sessions with Years 7,8,9 and to the STEAM Academia session with Year 10. They are developing their leadership, teamwork, communication, presentation, analytical and application skills through the role. Their energy is contagious 3 and their proactive nature is helping to drive forward this new Academia branch of STEAM. Thank you, Ambassadors!

KS3 ENGLISH STUDENTS OF THE FORTNIGHT!

The following students have been identified by their English teachers as being worthy of this title.

Serena Mompondele 9T7 - excellent focus and effort in lessons

Faris Moulay 9T1 - excellent focus and effort in lessons

Grace Townley 7T5 - excellent quality of classwork

KS4 ENGLISH STUDENTS OF THE FORTNIGHT!

The following students have been identified by their English teachers as being worthy of this title.

Naia Okeke 11T7 for independently annotating one of the anthology poems and very successfully leading the class through the key points

Abdullahi Mohamud 11T3 for excellent effort in class and the poetry engagement with generally.

Jamie Louise McFadden 10T7

for excellent effort and work ethic in lessons on *An Inspector Calls*.

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PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT



Enrichment Timetable 2017-18

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch time (1.20pm – 1.50pm)	Orchestra All year groups Miss Di Bartolo – F201 Page to Stage Y9-11 Ms Smith – F216	The Platform Y7 and 8 Miss Britten and Miss Falkner-Lee – F216 Advanced Collective Invited musicians only Miss Di Bartolo – F201	Music Technology Club All year groups Mr Stokes - F204	Scholarship Band Music Scholars only Mr McGuinness and Miss Di Bartolo – F204	One Voice Choir - all year groups Miss Thompkins, Miss Faulkner-Lee and Miss Di Bartolo - F204
	GCSE Music Power Hour Miss Di Bartolo 3:15 – 4:15pm – F201			Step into Dance All year groups 4.30pm – 5.30pm - F216	
After school					

Practice rooms can be booked at break time for use at lunchtime.

Monday – Wednesday: Y8-13, Thursday – Friday Y7-8

STEAM²

September 2017
applications
now open



STEAM CLUB
Years 7, 8 and 9

STEAM ACADEMIA
Year 10

SIXTH FORM STEAM
Ambassadors

See Ms Khan in Science to collect an application form.



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	Chicken Flatbread Spanish Omelette with Salad	Lemon Herb Breaded Fish Vegetable Lasagne	Beef Stroganoff Macaroni Cheese	Roast Turkey and Roast Potatoes Vegetable Curried Naan	Fish and Chips Pasta Bake
	Pasta King Jacket Potato	Stone Baked Pizza Jacket Potato	Chicken Joe's Wrap Jacket Potato	Pasta King Jacket Potato	Chicken Joe's Wrap Jacket Potato
	Green Beans and Cauliflower	Baby Carrots and Parsley Potatoes	Peas and Sweetcorn	Carrots and Cabbage	Peas and Sweetcorn
2	Summer Carrot, Tarragon and White Bean Soup	Vegetable Soup	Tomato and Basil Soup	Spiced Citrus Bean Soup	Leek and Potato Soup
3	Salad Bar (small bowl with multi choice)	Salad Bar (small bowl with multi choice)			
4	Any sandwich (max price £1.50)	Any sandwich (max price £1.50)			
5	Apple Crumble and Custard	Trifle	Lemon Drizzle Cake and Custard	Victoria Sponge	Selection of Cold Desserts
	Fresh Fruit Selection of small cold Desserts Selection of Cakes and Biscuits	Fresh Fruit Selection of small cold Desserts Selection of Cakes and Biscuits	Fresh Fruit Selection of small cold Desserts Selection of Cakes and Biscuits	Fresh Fruit Selection of small cold Desserts Selection of Cakes and Biscuits	Selection of Cakes and Biscuits

Multi-choice menu

MEAL DEAL

Choose a hot meal from Option 1 plus something from Options 2 or 5

Choose a soup from Option 2 plus something from Options 3 or 4 or 5

Choose a sandwich from Option 4 plus something from Options 2 or 5

Choose the Salad Bar option plus something from Options 2 or 5

DELI BAR
Freshly made to order each day

Meal Deal (Option 1 + 2 or 5) £2.25 students/£2.47 staff Main Meal only £1.95 students/£2.15 staff